

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
NEWSLETTER
AUGUST 1978

E V E N T S

August

Board of Directors: Thursday, August 24, 7:30 PM, 9336 Campbell Terrace Drive, KL7IPV's QTH.

ARRL Convention: August 26 and 27, Anchorage Westward Hilton.

September

General Meeting: Friday, September 1, 7:00 PM, Room 123 Consortium Library, UAA Campus.

Social Meeting: Wednesday, September 13, Shakeys, Minnesota & Benson, 7:00 PM.

PARKAS: Tuesday, September 12, 8:00 PM, KL7BJ, Terry Pilcher's QTH in Eagle River, .16 - .76 for directions.

Board of Directors: Thursday, September 28, 7:30 PM, KL7IPV's QTH.

N E T S

ARES Net: Weekly, Thursday evenings, 8:00 PM, on 146.52.

Sniper Net: Daily, 6:00 PM, on 3920.

Sourdough Net: Mon.-Thurs., 6:30 PM, on 3915. (Will resume Fridays when school starts.)

Grubstake Net: Daily, 9:00 PM, on 3940.

Slow Speed CW Net: Daily, 7:30 PM, on 3730.

DX Association Net: Daily, 7:30 PM, on 3895.

Alaska Pacific Net: Rollcall at 8:30 AM, on 14.292, Mon.-Fri.

The University of Alaska is offering courses in the Fall semester for obtaining General or Technician Class and Advanced Class Amateur Radio Licenses. ET-194, Elementary Electronic Fundamentals, will meet on Tuesdays, 7 - 10 PM, beginning September 12, at Chugiak High School. ET-293, Intermediate Electronic Fundamentals, will meet on Thursdays, 7 - 10 PM, beginning September 14, at Elmendorf AFB. Wilse Morgan, KL7CQ, at 344-1257 or 337-2761, is the instructor for both classes. Registration is now open. For information, call Sam at 694-3172.

On Saturday, September 9, the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club will be conducting a demonstration at the annual Arts and Crafts Fair to be held at the Anchorage campus of the University of Alaska, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. The Club Booth will be located in the Student Center Building at the top of the main stairway, in the same spot used for last year's Club Booth. Activities will include an operating HF station, message origination, RTTY, ATV, and displays of various phases of amateur radio. The Anchorage ARES will provide an emergency communications network throughout the campus. Base stations will be set up in key buildings with hand held units located throughout the fair. At last year's fair,

this operation was highly effective in assisting the fair and campus officials and locating several lost parents. This will be a major activity, and many volunteers are needed to operate the various stations, to help with setting them up, and to talk to people attending the fair. Please contact Bob McKinnie, KL7JKG, on .34 - .94 or 337-6027 (home) or 265-8671 (work), if you can contribute time, equipment, or ideas to this useful project.

The Club's participation in the Alaska State Amateur Golf Tournament was a big success and once again won friends among the golfers for a job well done. Two RTTY stations, one at Moose Run, one at Elmendorf, relayed golf scores between the two courses for four days. KL7FHF took a couple days off from work, and the first day put quite a few miles on his car troubleshooting the set-up. KL7ITI was our other troubleshooter and "on call" expert who also spent on-the-spot time. Operators who participated and had a great time were KL7JCF, KL7JKC, KL7IYH, KL7JCW, KL7FCG, KL7JIG, KL7GUH, KL7JEA, KL7BJ, KL7JKG, KL7IAF, and WA2MBQ. A banquet for golfers and ham participants and their guests was held Sunday evening after the event. Those attending enjoyed the celebration.

Several members have suggested that technical items of interest to ham operators be included in the club newsletter. Anyone who has technical tidbits to share with members is encouraged to do so.

Any items of interest to club members are welcome for publication in the newsletter. Those wishing to contribute should submit material to Dee Barbarick, 349-1158, or .16 - .76, by the 15th of each month to ensure that their info is published in a timely fashion.

KWM 2A & HW 202 for sale. Call Wilse at 344-1257.

17-ft. Smokercraft Sq. end canoe - \$225, call Betty, KL7AP, at 337-2761 or 344-1257.

Swan Vox control, Model VX-2 - \$25. Also/WANTED/AC Power Supply for GE Prog line. Will swap, sell, or trade Motorola Supply. Call Dave Olson, KL7DC, at 333-5271.

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SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL 34/94 REPEATER

August 10, 1978

The 34/94 repeater will be turned off and dismantled the end of September 1978. Part of this repeater belongs to Jim Wiley, KL7CC and he has asked the club to purchase it or return it. The 34/94 repeater is a very old piece of equipment which requires about \$150 to replace the final amplifiers.

This repeater has become an essential part of the active amateur community here in the Greater Anchorage area. It is utilized for such things as the Fur Rendezvous, Iditirod Dog Races, Walk for Hope, State Golf Classic and other public service functions. It is also utilized for day-to-day emergency situations such as auto accidents, fires and even airplane crashes.

The VHF committee has recommended that the cost for replacing the repeater should come from donations instead of out of the club treasury. Communications Engineering in MountainView has offered us a solid state repeater with a tube in the final for \$600. This is low split equipment and will tune directly on the ham bands without modification. A Duplexer will also cost about \$600 and peripheral equipment about another \$300. It will cost \$1500 to replace our 34/94 repeater.

Some money has already been raised through donations and an auction at the last club meeting. We are still short of our goal of \$1500. All money collected through this fund drive will be utilized for the 34/94 repeater and if there are excess funds they will be used on the 70 cm. repeater.

If you are a repeater user please donate what you feel you can, whether it's \$5 or \$50.

For those of you who don't use the repeater please keep in mind that it might be your loved ones, friends or neighbors who could be in dire need of the emergency services that this repeater often times provides. So please send your contribution in the enclosed envelope.

Fraternally yours,

Tim Pettis, KL7WE,
Chairman, VHF Committee

P. S. A new autopatch is being constructed by Herb, AL7G, to be incorporated into the new repeater.